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## RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION BEFORE THE FILING OF AN APPEAL BRIEF

MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final office action dated November 24, 2009, and further in response to Advisory Action dated May 11, 2010. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a threemonth extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to May 24, 2010. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.